

**SENATE**  
**STATE OF MINNESOTA**  
**EIGHTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE**

**S.F. No. 365**

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1.1 A bill for an act  
 1.2 relating to emergency medical services; permitting local units of government to  
 1.3 designate an ambulance service to serve its area; amending Minnesota Statutes  
 1.4 2012, section 144E.06.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 144E.06, is amended to read:

1.7 **144E.06 PRIMARY SERVICE AREAS.**

1.8 Subdivision 1. Definitions. The board shall adopt rules defining primary service  
 1.9 areas under which the board shall designate each licensed ambulance service as serving a  
 1.10 primary service area or areas. (a) For purposes of this section, "local unit of government"  
 1.11 means a statutory or home rule charter city, county, joint power authority, or town.

1.12 (b) For purposes of this section, a "joint powers agreement" means a contract  
 1.13 between a city, a county, or a special district in which the city or county agrees to perform  
 1.14 services, cooperate with, or lend its powers to the special district.

1.15 Subd. 2. Primary service area designation. (a) The board shall adopt rules  
 1.16 defining primary service areas and make those boundaries readily available. The board  
 1.17 shall designate a licensed ambulance service as serving each primary service area as  
 1.18 provided in paragraphs (b) to (d).

1.19 (b) The board shall recognize the service area of two or more local units of  
 1.20 government that share contiguous borders, formed by a joint powers agreement.

1.21 (c) Joint powers entities shall contract with a licensed ambulance for the joint  
 1.22 powers entity service area.

1.23 (d) The joint powers entity shall have a combined population of greater than 25,000  
 1.24 people based on the last United States Census data.

- 2.1            Subd. 3. **Board designation.** Except for a joint powers entity, the board must ensure
- 2.2            that all areas of the state are part of a primary service area with a licensed ambulance
- 2.3            service designated to provide service to that area.